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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 20, 2006, and accompanying the RCE filed herewith, Applicant submits the following Amendment, along with a two-month extension of time and the requisite fee.